

ABSTRACT

A method of controlling the printing of graphic enhancements to a POS receipt using additional configuration commands. The method is implemented in a POS printer by designating exception byte strings (*i.e.*, not usual text in receipts) to act as triggers for the suspension of the normal launching of a selected graphic function for a given number of iterations. The method also involves optionally eliminating the triggering text itself, as well as suspending the targeted graphic. The method does not require any changes to existing host software, such as the store checkout legacy application. Instead, byte string triggers are defined in the input text comprising the POS receipt and used to trigger suppression of the graphics normally merged with the legacy receipt output, thus allowing users to configure new custom control commands in the printer without having to upgrade or replace the legacy host application.